GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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DEARTH OF MARITIME SURVEYORS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the dearth of marine surveyors in the country are affecting the quality of Indian shipping and maritime training; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to improve the situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. Over the years, there has been manifold increase in the workload and international obligations on account of ratifications of 28 International Maritime Organisation Conventions/protocols, without corresponding expansion in the office of the Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai. This has necessitated restructuring of Indian Maritime Administration for which a proposal is under active consideration of the Government.